

COI: Koreatown

My name is Ireh Yoon, and I am the Assistant Director of the Korean American Coalition (KAC) in Los Angeles, a 501(c)3, non-profit organization in the heart of Koreatown that has advocated for the civic and civil rights interests of the Korean American Community since 1983.

KAC is a member of the Koreatown Redistricting Task Force as well as a member of the Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council, which is part of the People's Bloc.

Thank you for heeding our testimonies from earlier this week and trying to unify various COI's. We are in support of Map F-3 with minor adjustments and we oppose B-4 as it still divides COI's. Please see the attached maps below where we need slight amendments. We ask the Commission to amend Map F-3 as Koreatown is still not whole. Please see Exhibit 1 as the map of Koreatown that the People's Bloc previously submitted for reference. We are missing several blocks on our south-eastern part of Koreatown Please see Exhibit 2 which outlines the missing blocks in red.

The COI of Koreatown needs to be kept whole. There are nearly 5000 petition signatures on change.org and written petitions in support of unifying Koreatown. The LA City Council voted unanimously this week on the hybrid map that unifies Koreatown whole in one district in the City. Please do the same at the County level and keep Koreatown whole in one Supervisor District. We urge you to honor the Census data, as well are our testimonies and protect our community of interest by keeping Koreatown whole.

Exhibit 1: Map of Koreatown submitted previously by the People's Bloc

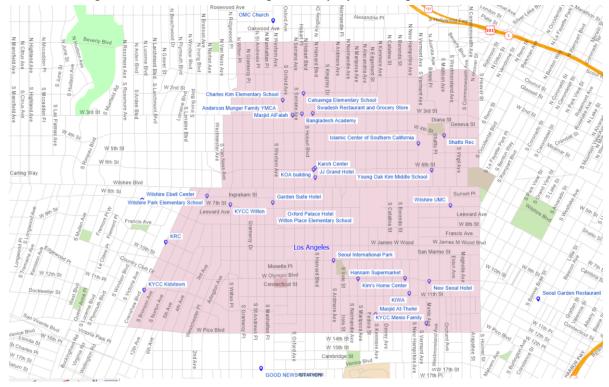


Exhibit 2: The Eastern border of Koreatown that is missing from map F-3 outlined in red:

